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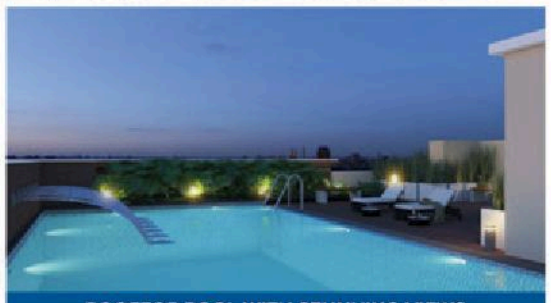

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Doctors' strike on Monday

Out Patient Department service to be suspended for 24 hours from 6 am to 6 am next day

Mysuru, June 15 (BCT)- Out Patient Departments (OPDs) in hospitals across the country will remain shut on Monday, June 17 with the Indian Medical Association (IMA) calling for a nationwide suspension of non-essential services to express solidarity with Kolkata doctors who are protesting against attack on some of them by a mob last Tuesday.

Even the Karnataka unit of IMA has called for a strike across the State, a move that could paralyse thousands of government and private-run health facilities.

In Mysuru, OPD services will be withdrawn on Monday across all hospitals and clinics. "On Monday, all non-essential services including OPDs will be withdrawn for 24 hours from 6 am to 6 am the next day. All emergency and casualty services will continue to function," said the IMA statement.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, Mysuru IMA Secretary Dr. Jayanth said that they will support the strike and OPD services will be suspended for 24 hours.

IMA Mysuru President Dr. S.B. Prakash too said that 90 percent there will be a strike and a decision on this will be taken at the Executive Committee meeting of IMA this evening.

"We have already conducted two days of protests on June 15 and 16 during which doctors wore black badges and participated in sit-in agitations and peace marches," he added.

As the doctors' strike snowballed into a nationwide issue, Union Health Minister Harsh Vardhan blamed West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee for precipitating the crisis in the first place. "She (Mamata) gave the doctors an ultimatum as a result of which they got angry and went on strike. I appeal to her not to make it a prestige issue," Vardhan said.

He wrote a letter to Mamata, appealing to her to adopt a "compassionate approach" towards the doctors who "work for long hours under stressful conditions."

(See STRIKE on page 13)

STAR PUNCH

By Satish Acharya

IMA JEWELS SCAM

Woman dies of shock in city

Mysuru, June 15 (RK&DM)- The IMA (I Monetary Advisory) scam took its first toll in the city with a 60-year-old woman breathing her last at a hospital on Thursday reportedly due to mental shock.

The victim has been identified as Safurabi, wife of Y. Rehaman Shariff and a resident of Shantinagar. The family of Safurabi is learnt to have invested a huge sum in Bengaluru-based IMA Jewels, expecting a good return on the investment.

But after learning of the scam, followed by the closure of the firm, Safurabhi suddenly took ill and was admitted to a private hospital where she died. Safurabi was shocked after learning of the scam and she breathed her last in the hospital, family sources said. She had a mild heart attack earlier too, according to local leaders and family.

Meanwhile, in Bengaluru Afzal Pasha, a 54-year-old man and a resident of Hosaguddadahalli on Mysuru Road invested Rs. 8 lakh in IMA Jewels, died of cardiac arrest at a Bengaluru hospital on Thursday night.

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Merit of *merit*

Access to seats in various Legislative bodies, recruitment to jobs in Government Departments and enrolment in educational institutions across the country are governed by the Constitutional measure, known commonly as *reservation* with the primary objective of enhancing the *social* and *educational* status of underprivileged communities and thus *improve* their lives. The policy of nourishing the target sections of the land's population has endured for seven decades and more, resulting in *quota* system favouring certain castes. The country's historically disadvantaged sections with well-marked ethnic identity are currently identified as *dalits*, accounting for more than 250 million (about one-sixth), an estimated presence in the land. The numbers of people seeking Government jobs and enrolment in educational institutions managed by the Government, particularly in those offering professional courses, being a significantly low fraction of the numbers who are eligible, ignoring diversity of ethnic composition of the population, and the quota system, has raised the issue of *merit* being overridden by reservation, being debated raising only heat and dust over the years.

The only yardstick to determine *merit* being accepted as *marks* scored in the qualifying examinations, added to the feature of the disadvantaged sections not scoring marks enough to cross the bar, *objectively* in either favouring or disfavouring the quota system seems to have taken a back seat in the circles made to remain outside the ambit of the Constitutional measure.

Scoring marks close to the maximum in the different qualifying examinations is commonly perceived as *merit*. Scoring low marks, dreaded by both the students and their parents, leaving them stranded badly both in the case of accessing Government job and enrolment in educational institutions, is dismissed as *academic shortcoming*. In this context, one cannot be faulted to indulge in lateral thinking that errors of action are the result of errors of perception. The intent of the aforementioned Constitutional measure namely, achieving equality (as a right) cannot be denied. The laws framed and the manner of implementing them to ensure equality have both suffered adverse response in various circles.

***Merit*, rated according to marks scored has its merit, irrespective of the diverse ethnic sections of society. Where it gets flawed is when it triggers overestimation of our prowess at different pursuits. Merit or no merit, while it is exciting to talk about quota system, for or against, the unquestionable option is to acquire *skills* in pursuing any calling for earning a livelihood as comfortable as merit facilitates. Lastly, reservation has its merits.**

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

DRINK WHILE YOU PRAY OR PRAY WHILE YOU DRINK?: ***A wrong question leads to a wrong answer. If you ask, 'Can I drink while I pray?' — the question will seem preposterous and the answer will be a vehement 'No!' But if you invert the same question and ask whether you can pray over a drink, the answer is likely to be, 'Sure, why not?' Both cases relate to multitasking with the same set of two tasks. Do the contradictory responses to the same question put forth as two sides of the same coin represent a prejudiced mind? On a transactional plane, that may be so. But on a spiritual plane, the two questions do not mean the same thing. When you ask, 'Can I drink when I pray?' — your emphasis is on drinking. This is the task topmost on your mind. Praying is secondary. In the other case, where you ask, 'Can I pray while I drink?' — the urge to pray is dominant; drinking is incidental.***

—Uma Ram and K.S. Ram in The Times of India

NEWS SPARKLERS

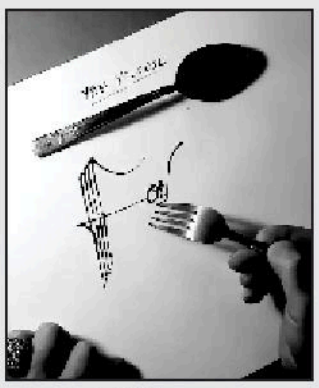
Man in massive debt after adopting 260 dogs

Beijing: A dog lover in China, has run into massive debt after adopting nearly 300 dogs in two years. Despite having a stable job and his own business, he has accumulated a debt of 600,000 yuan ($87,000), but refuses to give up on his four-legged friends.

Up until two years ago, Zhang Kai, a 41-year-old man from Chengdu, China, had a peaceful and comfortable life. He was the manager of a State-owned company and had just opened his own travel agency. But everything changed when his 13-year-old dog, which he had raised since 2003 suddenly died. The tragic event left a void in his life, and somehow made him pay more attention to the countless strays in his city in need of a home.

At first, he took in two of them and raised them in his travel agency office, but before he knew it he was taking care of eight strays. Things just snowballed from there, and today he is struggling to take care of 260 dogs, relying solely on bank loans and donations.

Fork calligraphy of Yazi Yolcusu



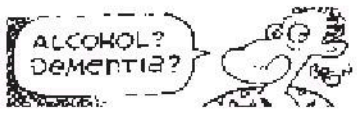
Istanbul: While most people can barely produce intelligible handwriting with the most expensive fountain pens, Turkish artist Yazi Yolcusu has been creating stunning calligraphy using forks and knives.

Yazi's knife wielding skills aren't too bad either, as he's able to use the sharp tip as a fountain pen. The Bursa-based artist has become a celebrity after videos of his fork calligraphy went viral on social media sites.

Yazi Yolcusu, which apparently means "Text Traveler", is living proof that it's not the tools that make the artist, but their skill. Using only a spoon to hold the ink and forks and knives as writing tools – the talented artist creates some of the most amazing calligraphy you'll ever see.

HEALTH CAPSULE
by Bron Smith

What's wrong with drinking alcohol?



Alcohol has some little-known side effects. It lowers male testosterone level, directly inhibiting testicular production of testosterone. It can cause extensive damage to the endocrine system, including leaky gut syndrome. Even in moderate amounts, alcohol is a risk factor for dementia.

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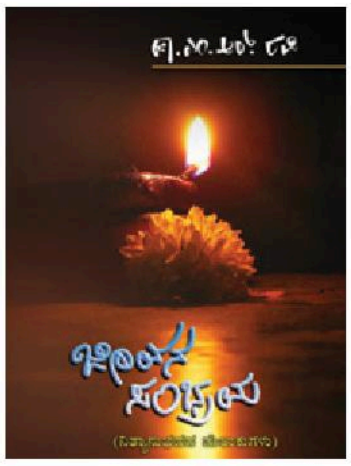
Dr. M.R. Ravi's book release in city tomorrow

Mysuru, June 15- Mahima Prakashana, Mysuru, has organised a programme at Rani Bahadur auditorium, University of Mysore (UoM), on June 16 at 11 am, for the release of the book '*Jeevana Sambhrama - Nityanubhavada Melukugalu,*' authored by Dr. M.R. Ravi, Commissioner and Director, Handloom and Textile Department, Bengaluru. He also writes a column titled *"Ee Jeevana Nammadu"* in '*Mysooru Mithra,*' a sister publication of *Star of Mysore*.

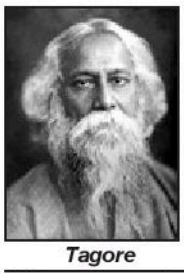
Vishweshwara Bhat, Editor, *Vishwavani* Daily, Bengaluru, will release the book. S. Shadakshari, Columnist and President, Ramanasri Group, Bengaluru, will speak about the book. Prof. K.S. Rangappa, former VC, University of Mysore, will preside.



The book, priced at Rs.120, will be sold at 50% discount during the launch.

Rabindra-Nazrul Sandhya programme on Sunday

Mysuru, June 15-Jhankar Music, Dance and Arts has organised *Rabindra-Nazrul Sandhya*, a tribute to Tagore and Nazrul Islam at 6.30 pm on Sunday (June 16) at Kalpa Kshetra Auditorium, 581/1, Vijayanagar 4th Stage, 1st Phase, Mysuru (Mob:9449819536) to commemorate the works of Rabindranath Tagore and Kazi Nazrul Islam.



Tagore

Nazrul

The programme will showcase Rabindra Sangeeth, Rabindra Nrityo (Dance), Nazrul Geeti (Musical compositions) and recitation. Bengali artistes residing in city will present the great contributions of the two well-known personalities of Bengal.

Really...?

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VOICE OF THE READER

Operation Wheel Lock: Increase fine amount

Sir,

Apropos the news item "Operation Wheel Lock" by K.R. Traffic Police *(Star of Mysore* dated June 10), I feel that the fine of Rs.100 is too paltry. The fine of Rs.100 will not compensate the amount of inconvenience caused by the motorists by parking at "No Parking" zones and other areas causing hindrance for pedestrians and free flow of traffic.

The spot fine amount should act as a deterrent for the traffic rule violators. Most of the violators will not mind paying Rs.100 and repeat the offence. The fine amount should be fixed at Rs.300 as was charged when "Tiger" was in operation.

While locking the vehicles, hope the Traffic Police will also check for other visible traffic violations like defective registration number plate, missing brake lights, extra lights etc.

Considering the number of traffic rules violators in Mysuru, 50 wheel locks per Traffic Police Station may not be sufficient.

—K. Chandrahas

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NEWS BRIEFS

Bird-watching

A bird-watching event for public has been organised on Sunday (June 16) at Kukkarahalli Lake between 7 am and 10 am. The meeting point will be the Lake Gate opposite Senate Bhavan. For details, call Mob: 94805-66516.

Cultural contests

Indian People Theatre Association (IPTA) will conduct cultural contests (Bhavageethe, Janapadageethe and Mono Acting) for district-level labourers and their families at Ideal Jawa Rotary School, JLB Road, at 10.30am on June 22. For details, call Mob: 98447-61376 or 98808-02246.

Award for Best Farmers

Agricultural Technology Management Agency (ATMA) (2019-20) has invited applications for Best Farmer Award and Best Farmers Interest Group at State, District and Taluk-levels. Ten farmers selected for Best Farmer Award will be given Rs.50,000 each at State-level and Rs.25,000 each at District-level. Five farmers will be given Rs.10,000 at Taluk-level and five groups working at district- level will be selected for Best Farmers Interest Group and given Rs.20,000. The farmers and groups are requested to obtain applications from Office of Assistant Director of Agriculture in their respective taluks and submit filled applications before July 20.

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MUDA to build 2,000 group houses at four places in city

Vijayanagar First, Third and Fourth Stages and Dattagalli identified to promote vertical growth

Mysuru, June 15 (RK&BCT)- The Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA), in its bid to solve the growing land crunch and premium on land value, has decided to opt for a vertical growth model instead of developing plots. It has planned Group Housing projects where more than 2,000 housing clusters will be built.

MUDA has so far not ventured into housing projects and had confined itself to plot development and this is the first foray into Group Housing. There is a severe crunch of land and all the proposed new layouts including the ambitious Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar Layout, Swarna Jayanti Nagar Layout, Shanthaveri Gopalagowda Layout, R.T. Nagar Second Stage and Ballahalli Layout are stuck in a quagmire.

Some of these layouts have been planned in late 1990s and MUDA has still not completed the land acquisition process. Though it has finished the R.T. Nagar First Stage, it is stuck in other layouts.

Either there is unwillingness on the part of land owners to part with land (some of them are demanding high prices which is unviable for MUDA) or there is some or the other hurdle in bureaucratic or political level.

To wriggle out of this situation, MUDA has come up with Group Housing ideas. Apart from promoting vertical growth like in many other cities, Group Housing can accommodate maximum number of people in less space.

LAND CRUNCH

Of late, MUDA is facing severe shortage of land and people have accused it of failing on its basic function — to identify and provide land for residents of Mysuru. There are more than one-and-a-half lakh pending applications from site aspirants and the number of applicants has only increased.

To add to the MUDA woes, most of the lands on the city outskirts have been purchased by private developers and many layouts have already been formed. The inability to distribute sites has affected MUDA's financial performance as revenue generation has hit a low.

NO PROFIT NO LOSS SCHEME

The Group Housing scheme will provide shelter to over 2,000 families who have been waiting since years for a site. It will be built under 'no profit no loss' scheme without burdening both the MUDA and the house owners who will get affordable homes.

Picture shows house aspirants queuing up before MUDA Office on JLB Road in the year 2017 to hand over applications for the 'Demand Survey" conducted by MUDA for Group Housing Scheme.

With pressure mounting on MUDA from aspirants who want to own houses here, MUDA has planned to construct over 2,000 houses under Affordable Group Housing Scheme at Vijayanagar First, Third and Fourth Stages and also in Dattagalli.

GROUP HOUSING DETAILS

These housing complexes will have a ground floor and three floors and will be divided into Economically Weaker Sections (EWS), Higher Income Group (HIG), Middle Income Group (MIG) and Lower Income Group (LIG). They will have one, two and three bedrooms depending on the categories. Applications are being issued for all the categories of houses to assess the demand.

As part of its "Demand Survey" to assess the number of aspirants, MUDA had distributed applications for Group Housing Scheme when D. Dhruvakumar was the MUDA Chairman in 2017. An overwhelming 82,000 people had applied for houses.

STUCK AT BUREAUCRACY LEVEL

Though the Group Housing Projects worth Rs. 250 crore received 'in principle' approval from the State Government, it is stuck at the bureaucracy level. MUDA has been instructed not to proceed with the projects until the rules of allotment were finalised.

Now MUDA has sent the draft rules to the Government for approval and the Urban Development Department has the final say in this.

MUDA Commissioner P.S. Kantharaj said that the Department has sent the draft rules and the Detailed Project Report (DPR) to the Legal Department for its opinion. Once the project is cleared by the Urban Development Department, the scheme will be implemented, he said.

MUDA Chairman H.N. Vijay said that the Group Housing scheme will start as soon as the Government gives the approval and the DPR.

City Traffic Police conduct special drive

Seize 66 vehicles sans documents, insurance

Mysuru, June 15 (MTY&KS) - The Mysuru City Traffic Police, who conducted a Special Drive at Udayagiri Police limits on Thursday, have seized 66 vehicles without documents.

City Police Commissioner K.T. Balakrishna and DCP M. Muthuraj supervised the Traffic Police team comprising five Inspectors of all five Traffic Police Stations in city, 10 Sub-Inspectors, Assistant Sub-Inspectors and Constables numbering more than 20, which was led by Assistant Commissioner of Police (Traffic) G.N. Mohan.

The Special Drive was conducted simultaneously at 13 junctions during which 42 autorickshaws, 22 two-wheelers, one Maruti Omni van and one car were seized as the owners of these vehicles failed to produce documents and insurance of the vehicles.

The seized two-wheelers were brought to the Police Station and the vehicle owners were asked to produce the vehicle documents and take their two-wheelers. Even four-wheelers were checked for documents.

ACP Mohan said that similar drives will continue in city and has asked vehicle owners to carry all relevant documents of the vehicle while driving or riding and produce the same during checking.

Intl. Day of Yoga rehearsal tomorrow

Traffic banned near Race Course

Mysuru, June 15 (KS)- As the rehearsal for International Day of Yoga will be held at Race Course tomorrow, City Police have banned traffic from 5 am to 10 am on roads near the Race Course.

Movement of all vehicles (except vehicles of participants) has been banned on Nanjangud Road from JSS College junction via Truck Terminal Road up to Race Course Circle. From Kurubarahalli Circle till Race Course Circle and from the Under Bridge on M.G. Road till Race Course Circle.

City Police have asked vehicles plying towards Nanjangud Road to proceed via JSS College junction to Nanjangud side. Similarly, vehicles plying on Lalitha Mahal Road from Kurubarahalli Circle, have to take a right turn at Kurubarahalli Circle and proceed on Vayu Vihar Road to reach M.G. Road and proceed further.

Vehicles plying on Mirza Road towards Mysuru Zoo should proceed straight to reach Nazarbad Circle and proceed further.

Meanwhile, KSRTC buses to Kollegal and T. Narasipur side should proceed via Hardinge Circle, Mirza Road, Vasanth Mahal Road, Nazarbad Circle, Male Mahadeshwara Road, Vayu Vihar Road, Kurubarahalli Circle and take a left turn to proceed on Lalitha Mahal Road.

MUDA site sold by creating fake documents

Buyer lodges complaint against three persons

Mysuru, June 15 (SPN&KS)- Alleging that he has been cheated by three persons who created fake documents of a Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) site and sold the same to him, the buyer of the site has lodged a complaint at Lakshmipuram Police Station in this regard.

While the buyer, who was cheated, is Chandan, the three persons who allegedly cheated him are Anitha, her husband Devendra and Krishnamurthy.

Chandan, in his complaint on June 13, has stated that his relative Krishnamurthy had introduced Anitha about one-and-a-half years back saying that she was working in MUDA and would get him a site of defaulters in less price through e-auction.

Krishnamurthy also told Chandan that he had bought a house from MUDA with the help on Anitha. Believing them, Chandan gave Anitha and Devandra Rs.73 lakh in cash and cheque.

The complaint further stated that after receiving the cash and cheque, Anitha and Devendra created a fake document of MUDA allotment letter and told Chandan that they would get the site registered in his name soon and gave Chandan the fake document. When Chandan got the document verified, he came to know that it was fake.

On June 7, when Chandan enquired with Anitha and Devendra about the fake document, they are said to have told him (Chandan) that it was a fake document and threatened Chandan, following which Chandan has lodged a complaint against the three at Lakshmipuram Police Station.

DCF suspended for allowing resort to cut 800 trees

Madikeri, June 15- The State Government, citing dereliction of duty has ordered suspension of Deputy Conservator of Forest (DCF) M.L. Manjunath of Madikeri Division with immediate effect yesterday (June 14).

Manjunath

The suspension comes in wake of DCF Manjunath reportedly issuing permission for unauthorised felling of 800 trees in K. Nidugani Gram Panchayat of the district.

According to the order issued by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (PCCF), the suspension order follows directions from the Government. Virajpet DCF Maria Christu Raj has been given additional charge of the Madikeri Division.

Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy had recently expressed anguish over media reports on the axing of more than 800 trees in K. Nidugane Gram Panchayat limits for the construction of a resort. The CM not only issued directions to immediately halt the axing of trees, but also sought a detailed report from the Forest Department on the matter.

As per rules, the DCF can issue permission for cutting of only three trees per acre, but 800 trees were cut illegally in the said Gram Panchayat.

Calling writers

Mysuru, June 15- Kannada Book Authority has invited applications from young writers to provide financial aid for publishing their first book written in 2018.

The writers should be aged between 18 and 35 years. The works should not be a translation or a dissertation. The entries should be sent before July 6 to the Administrative Officer, Kannada Book Authority, JC Road, Bengaluru - 02. [Ph: 080-22484516]

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CORRIGENDUM

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Notice is hereby given that the AGM of PADC(R) will be held on Sunday, the 30th June 2019 at 11 am at Smt. Ramabai Memorial Auditorium, PADC Complex, Sahukar Chanaiah Road, Bogadi, Mysore.

(Sd/-) A. DINAKARA SHETTY
Secretary

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An Adventure for Social Media

Courtesy: www.conservationindia.org/resources/ethics

Earlier this month, 11 people died in the Himalayas. But what was even more shocking was the photograph of the 'traffic jam' at 27,000 feet above sea level! This height is called the death zone. Among the reasons given for deaths, one was selfies at the summit.

One of the climbers who survived said that at the summit there were too many people, many of them untrained and wasting too much time taking selfies. No wonder a British newspaper ran a story about this with a headline titled: "*CAN'T TELL A CRAMPON FROM A TAMPON; Mount Everest deaths caused by selfie-obsessed climbers risking their lives for social media likes*."

Today, obsession for public validation has driven people to become overnight adventurers. In most cases there is no adventure at all. Before the world was possessed by Social Media frenzy, one had to prepare for the feat — one had to physically train hard, learn to read maps, research the flora and fauna of the area, learn camp-craft (putting up tent, making fire etc.), learn basic first-aid and survival skills. But today one has to just call an "adventure tourism company" and they will provide you a guide, a porter and off you go!

About 10 years ago, I trekked with some friends to the Himalayan Base Camp — the area from where people begin their ascent to Mt. Everest. I trained for it by walking up Chamundi Hill every other day for a month. And that was enough because; We had a good guide, we had Sherpas carrying our bags, we were provided hot meals, we had hot water to bathe at some stops and we even had whiskey in one of the small hotels on the trail. All we had to do was carry our own body weight and a bottle of water.

In fact, I didn't even wear a trekking shoe, even better, another person in our group who was walking up the Himalayas in jeans and a table-napkin wrapped across his face to protect his nose and mouth! He looked like he had come to rob a shop on the trail rather than trek. Yes, that is how causal adventure treks have become today.

Similarly the new adventure driven by social media is ocean-diving. I have a friend who is a dive master in Bengaluru and he says many of his clients after spending money do just one or two dives, take pictures, after which they don't really care to dive again!

While pure-adventure is being made lame by social media validation, nature and wildlife too are bearing the brunt of it. I had recently been to Kabini for a safari. As I got into the safari-jeep, a few men in camouflage and big bags were already seated. For a moment I thought I was in an "army's special force" vehicle heading off on a secret mission and expected these men to scream *"how is the josh"* any moment now. But alas, though these men were dressed to kill they were there not to shoot to kill but shoot pictures.

Later what was to be a quiet observation of flora and fauna of Kabini turned into a clicking frenzy. The moment a bird or a big cat was spotted, these photographers would lay their cameras across other passengers' face blocking their view. Even worse, they were forcing the driver to get closer to the animals. I learnt that some photographers bribed guards to take them deeper into the jungle where no other photographer has gone before! I also noticed among most neo-wildlife photographers the length of the camera lens was directly proportional to their pomposity — longer the lens nastier the attitude, enhanced by 'likes' on social media for their photos.

That is why a group of professional wildlife photographers and conservationists have released a guidebook titled *'Stop! Don't Shoot Like That: A Simple Guide to Ethical Wildlife Photography'*. The reason they did this is because as one of the authors said, *"The craze for wildlife photography has increased, but unfortunately, there is no understanding of ecology or animal behaviour amongst most photographers. We have attempted to create awareness that the quest for the perfect shot may be detrimental for the species and how repeated off-roading on a wild landscape harms the ecosystem."*

Yes human adventures throughout history have always been recorded in some form or the other be it journals, photographs or autobiographies. A social media post could be an extension of this in modern times but there is something frivolous and hollow about it — adventures made easy, where the means don't matter, just the end — a selfie for self-promotion.

Yes, indeed everyone has the right to experience the wild or climb a mountain. You may have worked hard to experience your adventure. But posting about your adventure as though it was just as risk-ridden as the mountaineers who carry their own bags, work the carabineers and ropes, make their own fire, cook their own food, put their own tent, read their own map and chart their own path, is what makes social media-driven adventures a farce.

Today social-media driven adventure is curated, unauthentic and insincere. It is like an expensive pair of torn jeans — it "looks like" it has been through hell, it looks like each patch has a story to tell, but the truth is, it was manufactured to merely be a "look alike" of a pair of jeans that has actually been through hell.

Now, unfortunately as adventures are driven by the need for social validation rather than passion, it has reduced most adventures to a mere social media currency.

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Weekend STAR Supplement

Mysuru Saturday 15th June 2019

Bend it like योगा

Derived from the Sanskrit word 'Yuji' meaning yoke or union, Yoga is an ancient practice that brings together mind and body. Every year, since 2015, June 21 is being celebrated as International Day of Yoga across the world, thanks to our Prime Minister Narendra Modi. In India, there is a sort of competition among cities including Mysuru to host the largest number of Yoga performers at a single venue. This year though Mysuru is not attempting a Guinness World Record, it has aimed to host 1.25 lakh Yoga enthusiasts at the sprawling Mysore Race Course. This *Weekend Star Supplement* sets the stage for the mega final rehearsal to be held on Sunday, June 16 and the main event on June 21.

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Fight Stress, Find Serenity

By Ramesh Kebbehundi

Come June 21, all roads will lead to the sprawling Mysore Race Course at the foot of Chamundi Hill, where the Fifth International Day of Yoga will be celebrated with an hour-long orderly and disciplined demonstration. **As a prelude to this, a mega rehearsal will be held at the Race Course on June 16, Sunday.**

Though Mysuru District Administration and Yoga Federation of Mysore (YFM) are not eyeing another Guinness World Record this time owing to lack of time for preparations and financial constraints, they are confident of mobilising over 1.25 lakh yoga enthusiasts as a prelude to set the stage at least to attempt for the World Record next year.

Mysuru entered the Guinness Book of World Records for the Largest Yoga Demonstration or Lesson at a Single Venue during the 2017 Yoga Day. As many as 55,506 people performed yoga to achieve the record.

The District Administration, with support from YFM, Department of Tourism and AYUSH has made all efforts to gather 1.25 lakh people to perform Yoga and has been preparing since the last six months and conducted more than 40 rehearsals at different parks.

On June 21, all the seven gates of the Race Course will be opened around 5 am for the participants to assemble and prepare for the demonstration. Many Traffic Policemen will be deployed to supervise traffic in the Race Course vicinity and surrounding roads. Participants will be asked to wear cotton cloth with white top and bring Yoga mats and small carry-bags to keep their footwear. This year, many schools have evinced keen interest to participate in the event.

In a way, organisers are prepared to highlight the fact that Mysuru is becoming a Yoga hub. Mysuru attracts a lot of tourists round the year. Once the capital of the kingdom of Mysore, it was the seat of the erstwhile rulers, the Wadiyars.

Mysuru is also the gateway to several national parks. Other than tourism, another reason for foreigners to visit Mysuru is Yoga. Like Rishikesh in Uttarakhand and Pune in Maharashtra, which are important Yoga destinations, Mysuru attracts many foreign nationals who want to learn the ancient art. Not just international visitors, enthusiasts from metros and IT sectors from key Indian cities also visit Mysuru to learn the ancient practice from Yoga gurus.

Some Yoga studios like Ashtanga Yoga Research Institute, Nirvana Yoga Shala (Mystic Yoga) and Vedavyasa Yoga Foundation, Sri Patanjali Yoga Shikshana Samithi are well-known and nationally and internationally. These Yoga education centres draw practitioners from the U.S., Europe, South America and other nations between October and March, considered the peak season for Yoga.

City's legendary Gurus, late K. Pattabhi Jois and late B.K.S. Iyengar popularised Yoga globally which was patronised by erstwhile Wadiyars. While Jois founded the Ashtanga Yoga Research Institute in Mysuru and popularised Ashtanga Yoga, Iyengar, who learnt Yoga in Mysuru, practised and taught in Pune.

These stalwarts motivated a large number of students from the United States and Europe to learn Yoga. Pop star Madonna, rock icon Sting and Hollywood actor Gwyneth Paltrow were among the disciples of Jois. Importantly, the reason why Yoga got a firm grip on Mysuru is the fact that the Wadiyars patronised it.

Stakeholders in the tourism sector say that foreigners coming to learn Yoga often write about the magnificent palaces, heritage buildings, the temples around it and so on, in their respective countries, helping increase tourist arrivals, especially during the world-famous Dasara festivities.

The perception of Yoga has changed and people have started making it a part of their life. Dr. M.V. Murthy, President of Mysuru Yoga Okkoota says the change can be attributed to the international recognition Yoga got five years ago due to the efforts of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and others.

"Whether we make a record or not, we have made a good beginning since bringing together such large numbers in a short span of time will be a challenge." he added.

YFM aims to develop city as Yoga Hub

D. Srihari

President of Yoga Federation of Mysore (YFM) D. Srihari said there were about 300 to 350 Yoga centres in the city and 15 to 20 of them enjoy the patronage of foreigners.

Yoga which is a practice that connects mind, body and spirit through different body postures, meditation and breathing is promoted by these centres. Yoga aims to create perfect harmony between mind, body and spirit. It is a means that helps you achieve the greater good.

The Federation was formed last year and registered with five major Yoga Organisations as its members such as Sri Patanjali Yoga Shikshana Samithi (SPYSS), Mysuru Yoga Okkoota, GSS Yogic Foundation, Baba Ramdev Swabhiman Trust and Yoga Sports Foundation to develop the city as a Yoga hub.

He said that the main intention of the Federation to make Mysuru the Yoga capital of the country as a large number of foreigners visit the city after Rishikesh, Haridwar and Pune and some other prominent Yoga learning centres in the country.

Apart from tourism and Dasara events, the city pulls people from all parts of the world because of yoga. In the initial days, a few hundreds of foreigners were learning Yoga at these institutes every year. But now their number has crossed 10,000. More number of them can be found during holiday season in December and January.

A majority of them join more than one institute during their stay and they primarily learn meditation or *Pranayama*. The influx of Yoga enthusiasts to Mysuru has also boosted local economy for accommodation, autorickshaws, hotels, Ayurveda Hospitals, local herbs and traditional medicines.

The other intention behind his Federation is to build "Arogya Mysore" as a lot of people now see Yoga, meditation, various *asanas* and breathing techniques as a remedy for stress, heart ailments and lifestyle diseases such as diabetes.

It has also been making efforts to send out a message that Yoga is not just for *sadhus* and *sanyasis* but also for common man as a majority of people of the region is still ignorant about its significance. For this year's celebrations, the Federation has been making all preparations by training over 1,000 master trainers to in turn guide 1.25 lakh people on June 21.

"The city will grab the attention of media across the country by hosting such a mega event and it also helps development of tourism", Srihari opined.

Exuding confidence that the Federation will definitely be successful in its endeavour of gathering 1.25 lakh people, he said that in the initial years of celebrations, the Federation was able to mobilise 10,000 people. Later it increased to 55,540 and reached 60,000 last year with the support of District Administration, Yoga Organisations and prominent mutts like Suttur Mutt.

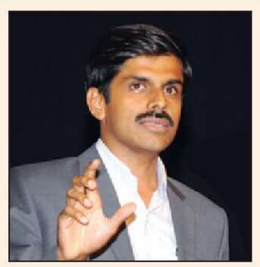
He said Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji alone promised to send more than 30,000 students, staff from JSS chain of educational institutions.

Apart from this, management of software firms including Infosys, industries located in and around Mysuru surroundings, Federation of Karnataka Chambers of Commerce and Industries, Confederation of Indian Industry, Mysuru Industries Association and Karnataka Small Scale Industries Association have also promised to send their employees in large numbers, Srihari added.

This year, CFTRI, BEML and other Central Government Institutions, who were so far celebrating this day at their premises will join the main event to add to the numbers.

The District Administration will create separate blocks and stages for VIPs, private, government employees, Central Govt. employees, students and Yoga organisations separately to perform *asanas* on the D Day.

All set for event of twists and turns: DC



Deputy Commissioner Abhiram. G. Sankar said that District Administration has been making all preparations for the success of this big event.

As previous Yoga events and Dasara were successfully handled, this year there will not be much problem to make logistics arrangements. Various committees have been formed to ensure breakfast, maintain law & order and traffic management. Steps will be taken to prevent chain snatching, ensure safety of women, children and senior citizens.

Directions have been given to KSRTC to pick and drop people by deploying adequate buses to the venue. Mysuru City Corporation has been asked to maintain cleanliness, provide mobile toilets and drinking water at the venue.

Yoga Federation of Mysore is also deploying its 2,000 volunteers and master trainers to help the participants. The administration is also taking the help of NSS volunteers, Home Guards, Scouts and Guides for crowd management, he added.

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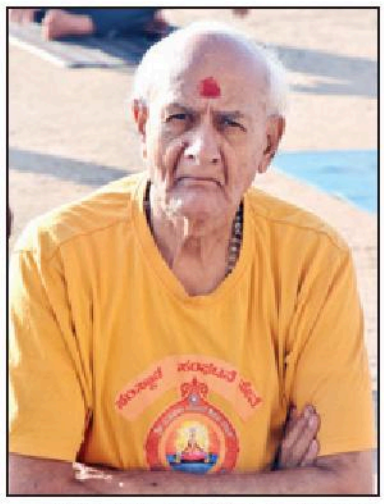
What they say about Yoga

'Keeps body and mind fit'



"I have been practising Yoga since the last five years after my retirement and I am born and brought up in Mumbai. I hail from Saligrama village of K.R. Nagar taluk and presently I stay at Bogadi.

Earlier, I led a hectic life and there was no time to do Yoga though I was interested. After joining Sri Patanjali Yoga Shikshana Samsthe, I am finding a lot of happiness and I am physically and mentally fit. I am also teaching meditation and *Pranayama* techniques to my wife whose health is also improving a lot. Due to age factor, I was not able to bend my body. But I am trying some *asanas*.

Apart from learning, I am also teaching Yoga to participants at one of the branches of Sri Patanjali Yoga Shikshana Samithi.

— Udaya Rao, Saligrama, age 80 years, Retired Reliance Industries employee

Yoga helps Pancreas release insulin

"I have been practicing Yoga since 22 years. I had a lot of health problems and was physically unfit before practising Yoga. But now, I am able to maintain good health by performing Yoga daily. I studied Mechanical Engineering, but now I am a full-time Yoga instructor.

Routine practice of Yoga helps not only control diabetes, but also helps in warding off depression. It keeps sugar levels under control as it assists pancreas to produce insulin. This we call "Yoga Therapy" to regulate sugar level.

Present day, millions of youth are slipping into depression due to various reasons. Yoga helps ward off depression and keeps the youth agile and active throughout the day.

— Ranganatha, Yoga Instructor, GSS Yogic Research Foundation

Learning Yoga helps child's overall development

"I have been practising Yoga since 12 years at GSS Yogic Foundation. I joined as a student when I was depressed and was simply crying and had lost hopes in life. Today, I am working as a Yoga instructor. I used to suffer from a lot of health problems. But there are no such problems for me today. Yoga eases mental tension and keeps us energetic. Yoga for children helps in their physical and mental development.

— Roopashree, Yoga Instructor

International Yoga Day Committee Mysuru - 2019

District Administration, Tourism Department, AYUSH, Nehru Yuva Kendra and Yoga Institutions, Mysuru District

45-MINUTE YOGA SESSION

at Race Course on June 21 from 6 am to 8 am

PRAYER — 1 MINUTE

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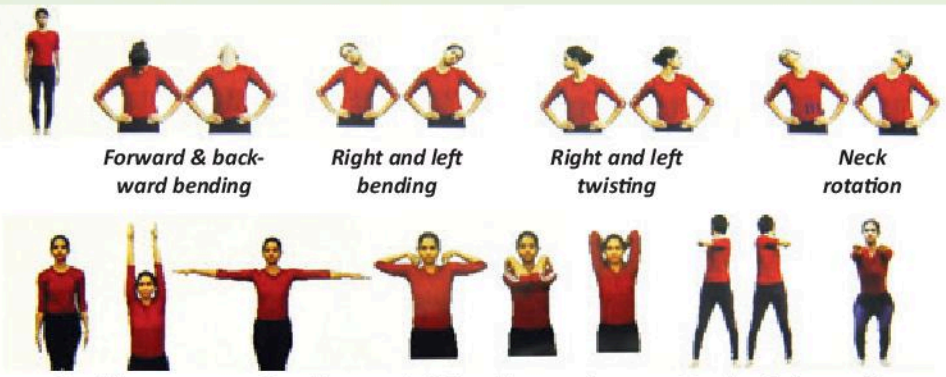


Forward & backward bending — *Right and left bending* — *Right and left twisting* — *Neck rotation*

Shoulder movement: Shoulder stretch & Shoulder rotation — *Trunk twisting* — *Knee Movement*

YOGASANAS — 25 MINUTES

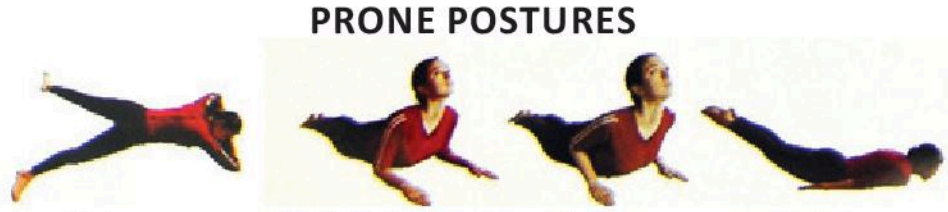
STANDING POSTURES

Samasthiti *Tadasana* *Vriksasana* *Padahastasana* *Ardha chakrasana* *Trikonasana*

SITTING POSTURES

Samadandasana *Bhadrasana* *Vajrasana* *Ardha Ustrasana* *Ustrasana* *Sasakasana* *Uttan Mandukasana* *Vakrasana*

PRONE POSTURES



Makarasana *Sarala Bhujangasana* *Bhujangasana* *Shalbhasana*

SUPINE POSTURES

Setubandhasana *Uttanapadasana* *Ardhahalasana* *Pavanmuktasana* *Shavasana*

PRANAYAMA & MEDITATION — 14 MINUTES

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Om, May All be Happy | May All be Free from Illness | May All See what is Auspicious | May no one Suffer | Om Peace, Peace, Peace ||

Asia Wedding Fair begins

The inauguration of the two-day Asia Wedding Fair-2019 was done with great fanfare by renowned actress Harshika Poonacha at Radisson Blu Plaza Hotel in city this morning. Seen are (from left) Krupa Sumanth, Harshika Poonacha, Jayanthi Ballal, Shaheen Khan and Harish Sachdev. The expo is open for public from 10.30 am to 8 pm today and tomorrow. On display are luxury brands from apparel, jewellery and wedding planning industry from Bengaluru, New Delhi and Mumbai. The products consist of bridal jewellery, couture, ethnic, trousseau, traditional jewellery, precious stone and pearl jewellery, wedding accessories, wedding planning, lifestyle refinements to name a few.

Farmer electrocuted

Villagers protest; relent after compensation assurance

Nanjangud, June 15 (RS&SR)- A 30-year-old farmer was electrocuted when he was walking near a transformer on Haginavalu-Surahalli Road near Volagere village in Nanjangud this morning.

The deceased has been identified as Basavaraju. He is survived by his sister, brother and his mother. The incident took place when the farmer had gone to his field at around 9.30 am.

The villagers of Volagere brought the body of Basavaraju to Nanjangud Government Hospital and protested.

Over 500 irate villagers and deceased farmer's family members with support from Raitha Sangha leaders, sat in protest in front of the Hospital with the body of Basavaraju demanding Karnataka Power Transport Corporation Limited (KPTCL) and Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC) to provide at least Rs.20 lakh compensation for the victim's family. They did not agree for a post-mortem till the announcement of compensation was made.

Later, the agitating farmers shifted the dead body from the hospital to the CESC Sub-Division Office on Rashtrapathi Road and continued the protest.

The protesters shouted slogans against CESC officials and held them responsible for Basavaraju's death. They alleged that the CESC linemen and Junior Engineer of Haginavalu were responsible for the death.

They also condemned the negligence of CESC employees for not attending phone calls of farmers and for not replacing the damaged transformer and solving frequent power disruptions.

Later, CESC Nanjangud Sub-Division Executive Engineer Ramesh and other officers pacified them and announced that a compensation of Rs.5 lakh will be paid and a detailed inquiry will be ordered.

Following this, the agitating farmers withdrew their protest.

Doctors' strike on Monday

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"It is a matter of concern that the agitation by doctors in West Bengal is not heading towards resolution, but seems to be getting aggravated. Better communication with doctors and a compassionate approach to take care of the genuine problems being faced by them would definitely he helpful in tiding over the crisis," Minister Harsh Vardhan wrote.

After an attack on doctors in Kolkata, the protesting doctors are demanding better security at hospitals. With striking junior doctors refusing to meet her yesterday, Mamata Banerjee invited them again to meet her this evening to end the impasse in Government hospitals.

The doctors refused to meet the CM, demanding an unconditional apology from her. They also put up six conditions for withdrawal of their stir.

Mayor inaugurates MDJA Sports Meet in city

Mysuru, June 15 (PM&DM)- The two-day annual sports meet of Mysuru District Journalists Association (MDJA) began at the University Hockey Grounds here this morning.

Mayor Pushpalatha Jagannath inaugurated the event. The two-day event features cricket, athletics and other sports.

University of Mysore (UoM) Department of Physical Education (DPE) Director (in-Charge) Krishnaiah, noted shot-putter B. Manush, Karnataka State Petrol and Diesel Dealers Association State General Secretary Ranjith Hegde, MDJA President C.K. Mahendra and others were present.

The valedictory will take place at 3 pm tomorrow, with MLA L. Nagendra and MUDA Commissioner P.S. Kantharaj as the guests of honour.

NR Group family bags 'The Machinist Super Next Generation' Award'

Mysuru, June 15 (KS)- The Ranga Family, founders of NR Group the Agarbathi to aerospace conglomerate, have won 'The Machinist Super Next Generation Award' in the Family Business category.

The award was presented to the Ranga Brothers for being the next generation entrepreneurs of large family-owned business.

The award commemorates the 71-year-old growth story and multiple diversifications in NR Group. The Ranga Brothers have achieved great heights ever since the group's inception.

Arjun Ranga, Managing Director, Cycle Pure Agarbathies, received the award at a programme held at Taj on M.G. Road in Bengaluru recently.

The award was present by Kamal Bali, Managing Director, Volvo India Private Limited and Shekar Viswanathan, Vice-Chairman of External Affairs at Toyota Kirloskar Motor Private Limited.

Arjun Ranga

Speaking about the award, Arjun Ranga said that the award was a testament to the exponential growth at NR Group and how they created a strong footprint in a variety of sectors.

Articulate Festival-37 this weekend

Mysuru, June 15- Following artistes will be performing in the Articulate Festival-37 on June 16 at 6 pm at Veene Seshanna Bhavan, Ganabharathi, Adichunchangiri Road, Kuvempunagar:

M.C. Archana

Archana, initiated into Bharatanatyam by Guru Padmini Ravi, is now furthering under *Karnataka Kalashree* Guru Kiran Subramanyam and Guru Sandhya Kiran. She presented her Rangapravesha in the year 2012. She has completed both Junior and Senior Grade exams with flying colours. She has also been recognised as a 'B' grade artiste of Doordarshan.

M.C. Archana

Mekhala R. Bharadwaj

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Mekhala Bharadwaj, after initial training in Bharatanatyam under Guru Chetana Radha Krishna, Guru Prakash S. Iyer and Guru Kripa Phadke, is now pursuing the art under the renowned Guru B. Bhanumathi and Guru Sheela Chandrashekar of Bharathanjali, Bengaluru. She has picked up some finer nuances in Guru Bregha Bessel.

Sumangala V. Varun

Sumangala Vijaykumar Varun had her initial training in Bharatanatyam with Gurus Prathama Kiran and Praveena Mohan at Kalanidhi, Manipal.

She has been under the tutelage of *Nrithyashiromani* Guru Vidu. Rekha Dinesh Kumar (Founder and Artistic Director), Bengaluru, for the past eight years at Benaka Natya Mandir.

Sumangala has attended workshops of senior Gurus including Guru Bragha Bessell, Guru Vid. Shankar Kandaswamy and Guru B. Bhanumathi to polish her nritta and abhinaya. Sumangala is a trained Karnatak vocalist, and is a yoga practioner.

Sumangala V. Varun

Kshamitha R. Shastri

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Kshamitha Shastri was initiated in Bharatanatyam by Guru Revathi Prasad and then under *Karnataka Kalashree* Guru Suparna Venkatesh at the Sai Arts International, Bengaluru.

Kshamitha has extensively performed across India and abroad and has secured 6th Rank in the Senior Exam in Bharatanatyam conducted by the KSEEB. A recipient of Karnataka Nrutyakala Partishath Scholarship, she is also a Kathak artiste trained under Guru Mysore B. Nagaraj.

Moonlight Music Concert at Suttur Mutt on June 17

Mysuru, June 15- Vidu. Bhargavi Venkataram will perform at the monthly moonlight music programme at Suttur Mutt, foot of Chamundi Hill at 6 pm on June 17 (Monday). Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji will grace the occasion.

Vidushi Bhargavi Venkataram, who hails from a family of musicians, is the daughter of Vidushi Triveni Saralaya.

After learning the initial lessons of music from her parents, she tutored under renowned Chennai-based musician Vid. T.M. Krishnan. She has performed at many prestigious musical events across the country and bagged many awards and prizes.

A 'B' grade artiste of All India Radio, she will be accompanied by **Sumanth Manjunath** on violin and **Akshay Anand** on mridanga.

Sumanth is the son of internationally-acclaimed violinist Dr. Mysore Manjunath. He is a young talent, having performed at a musical concert at the tender age of 8 years.

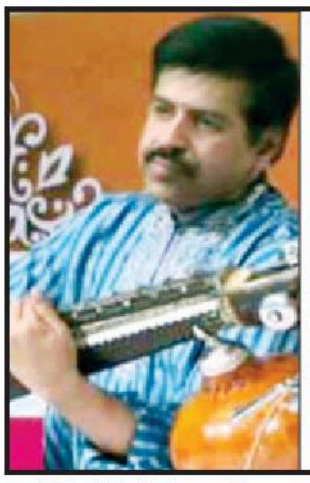
Akshay Anand is the disciple of senior artiste Vid. K.S. Kalidas. He is a 'B' grade Akashvani artiste and has performed in many TV channels.

Advaita Jyoti Rath Yatra from city

Mysuru, June 15 (RKB&US)- As part of Advaita Spiritual programmes to be held at Adyatma Siddhi Mahavidyalaya at Mallenahalli in Kanakapura from June 21 to 23, an Advaita Jyoti Rath Yatra will be launched from city on June 19. Disclosing this at a press meet at Pathrakartara Bhavan here, Mahavidyalaya Founder Kiran Kaivalya said that the Rath will be flagged off by scholar Shelvapillai Iyengar from Chamundi Hill at 9 am. Sri Jayabasavananda Swamiji of Basava Kendra, Chikkamagalur and other religious leaders will grace the occasion.

The Rath will travel to Tripurasundariyamma temple at Uttanahalli where puja will be performed and pass through main thoroughfares of city before proceeding via Mandya, Ramanagaram and Bengaluru to reach Mallenahalli.

Hindustani Music, Veena Concerts at Srikrishna Gana Sabha on June 16, 17



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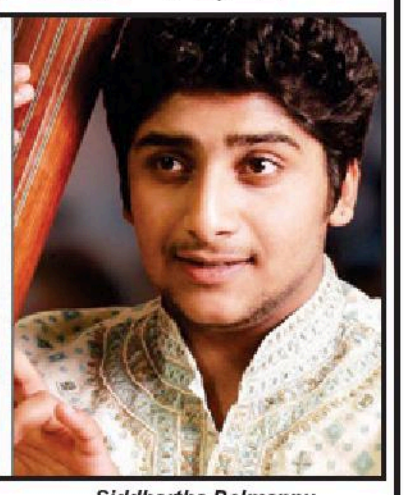

Siddhartha Belmannu

Mysuru, June 15- Srikrishna Gana Sabha has arranged Hindustani Music Concert on Sunday (June 16) by Child Prodigy **Siddhartha Belmannu** at 6 pm at Alwar Kalabhavan.

Accompanying artistes are **Pt. Veerabadraiah Hiremath** on harmonium and **Pt. Bheemashankar Bidnoor** on tabla. Concert is sponsored by Dr. C.G. Narasimhan family.

On Monday (June 17), the Sabha has arranged Veena Concert by **Vid. R.K. Padmanabha** at 6 pm at the same venue. He will be accompanied by **Vid. P.S. Sridhar** on mridanga and **V.S. Ramesh** on ghata. Concert is Sponsored by *Samaja Seva Dhureene* Madhuri Thathachari in memory of her husband Prof. Thathachari.

PROFILES

Siddhartha Belmannu, a child prodigy, is a young talented musician hailing from Karkala in Udupi district. Born on 2nd October 1996 into the music loving family of mother Usha and father Prasad Belmannu who recognised early on that he was endowed with a gifted voice, fluent in three octaves.

Discerning his musical talent, his parents, without further delay, enrolled him for initial training in Karnatak Classical Music. Later, he was exposed to Hindustani Classical Music and continued his studies under the tutelage of P.R. Manjunath, a well-known Hindustani musician.

Later he came under the tutelage of the legendary musician, Pandit Vinayak Torvi ji, Doyen of Gwalior and Kirana Gharana, where he is undergoing vigorous training in the Gurukul system from the past 8 years.

From the age of 19, Siddhartha has been performing all across the country on many prestigious platforms. He has also been touring with his Guru Pt. Vinayak Torvi in India as well in the US and other countries.

Siddhartha has also been performing Jugalbandi with various Hindustani and Karnatak vocalists and instrumentalists.

He has worked with The Grammy Winning composer Ricky Kej for many of his live concerts and projects on environmental awareness. He has performed Indian classical fusions with various artistes. Siddhartha also excels in light music such as Marathi Abhangs, Kannada Devarnama and Vachanas.

While Classical Hindustani Music is his core, Siddhartha also enjoys playback singing and has sung for many movies. His originality in music has been widely appreciated in the music industry. Academically, Siddhartha is currently pursuing his B.com as well.

Vid. R.K. Padmanabha: At the age of six, Padmanabha started accompanying at concerts till 1982. He was trained in singing and Veena playing by his father for almost two decades. The Mysore style of veena playing which Padmanabha follows was patronised by Wadiyar Kings.

The musical instrument and the rendition is a bit different from the Thanjavur, Andhra or Kerala styles. His father, R.S. Keshavamurthy, a renowned veena exponent, who was endowed with the title of Asthana Vidwan at Kingdom of Mysore, developed this instrument in 1924.

The 250-year-old precious Kanaka Rajatha Saraswathi Akanda Veena was passed on to him by his brothers in 1983 after his father's death. The historical veena belonged to Veena Subbanna, the legendary musician and composer (1861-1939). It is said that Puttadasappa, the well-known veena maker of Mysore had done the entire carving work in 18th century. It was handed over by Veena Subbanna to his beloved disciple Keshavamurthy, Padmanabha's father and Guru.

Temple hundi looted

Mysuru, June 15 (SBD&KS)- Miscreants, who broke into Sri Kalyana Venkataramanaswamy Temple on Dr. Rajkumar Road at Kalyangiri here, have decamped with cash from the two hundis (offering boxes) on Thursday night.

The incident came to light, when the Priest went to open the temple on Friday morning. The Priest, who saw the door of the temple forcibly opened, on inspection, found that the locks of the two hundis broken and small denomination currency notes strewn. The miscreants are said to have decamped with higher denomination currency notes.

The Priest immediately informed the office-bearers of the Temple Trust and later lodged a complaint with Udayagiri Police.

The Police, who visited the Temple, inspected the Temple premises, checked the footages of CCTV cameras installed in the Temple and have registered a case.

Miscreants threaten garments trader, decamp with gold ornaments and cash

Mysuru, June 15 (SBD&KS)- Alleging that miscreants threatened him and decamped with his gold ornaments and cash, a garments trader has lodged a complaint at Lashkar Police Station in this regard.

The complainant is Sohanlal, a garments trader on K.T. Street-K.R. Hospital Road in city.

In his complaint, Sohanlal has stated that on May 31 morning, when he was walking on K.R. Hospital Road, two unidentified persons approached him asking the address of a Pandit and after he (Sohanlal) showed them the address, the unidentified persons asked Sohanlal to show them a shop as they wanted to buy incense sticks. Sohanlal took them to a shop and while returning, one of the two unidentified persons placed his hand on Sohanlal's head and while blessing gave him a bag and told him (Sohanlal) to put the gold ornaments and cash he was having in the bag after threatening him.

Out of fear, Sohanlal removed the gold ornaments he was wearing and placed it in the bag and also the cash. The miscreants then threatened Sohanlal of murdering him if he disclosed the matter to anyone and fled from the spot.

Sohanlal has stated that the miscreants made away with 25 grams gold chain, 23 grams bracelet, 20 grams finger ring and Rs.1,500 cash.

He has also stated in the complaint that as he was threatened with his life he had lodged the complaint late.

Lashkar Police, who inspected the footages of CCTV cameras installed near the spot of the crime, found Sohanlal speaking to strangers for more than 30 minutes and removing his gold ornaments and handing them over to the strangers.

Lashkar Police, who have registered a case in this regard, are investigating.

Alleged harassment by higher officials

KSRTC driver-cum-conductor attempts suicide

Mysuru, June 15 (YDS&KS)- Depressed over frequent harassment by higher officials, a KSRTC driver-cum-conductor has reportedly attempted suicide by consuming excess tablets at the KSRTC Rural Depot at Bannimantap here on Friday.

The driver-cum-conductor, who attempted suicide, is Basavaraju, a resident of Rajendranagar in city.

In his statement, Basavaraju has stated that while he was coming from Madikeri to Mysuru, ticket-checking officials boarded the bus and after examining the tickets of the passengers, the officials got his signature and told him that there was no case.

Basavaraju has further stated that when the ticket-checking officials alighted from the bus near Yelwal, they informed him that there were four cases and alleged that this was not the first time the officials were harassing him. He alleged that despite requesting the officials not to depute him to far places as his health was not good, the officials deliberately depute him to far places and depressed over frequent harassment, Basavaraju attempted suicide at the depot after informing his family members over the phone.

Basavaraju has been admitted to a private hospital and N.R. Police have registered a case.

Obituary

Ramanna

Mysuru, June 15- Ramanna (80), a resident of Medarakeri in K.R. Mohalla, passed away yesterday in city.

He leaves behind his son Chandrashekar, daughter Rajeshwari and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at the foot of Chamundi Hill today, according to family sources.

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Joe Root stars in England's win

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Southampton, June 15- Hosts England with some inspiring batting by their opener Joe Root who scored an unbeaten 100, registered a facile eight-wicket win over former champions West Indies in the ICC World Cup cricket match played at Southampton on Friday.

Winning the toss and electing to field, England began well by striking early and dismissing opener Evin Lewis (2) at the score of (1 for 4). Chris Gayle played some rousing strokes to score a breezy 36. West Indies lost Shai Hope (11) and were struggling at 55 for three.

The innings was consolidated with a good 89-run fourth wicket partnership between Nicholas Pooran (63, 78b, 3x4, 1x6) and Shirmon Hetmyer 39 (48b, 4x4). After the fall of Hetmyer, wicket fell at regular intervals and West Indies were bowled out for 212 in 44.4 overs. A. Russell (21) was the only other useful contributor. Jofra Archer (three for 30) and Mark Wood (three for 18) were the England bowlers who impressed.

Joe Root shone with the ball and the bat in England's big win over the West Indies in the ICC World Cup cricket match played at Southampton on Friday.

Root excels

Inspiring batting performance by opener Joe Root (100 n.o, 94b, 11x4) and his 95-run opening wicket partnership with Bairstow (45, 46b, 7x4) helped England's cause.

Later Joe Root and Chris Woakes (40, 54b, 4x4) added 103-runs for the second wicket, which paved way for their team's comfortable win. England ended up scoring 213 for two in 33.1 overs. Shannon Gabriel took two for 49 for West Indies.

New Zealand heads the points table with 7 points from 4 games. England is in the second place with 6 points from four games while Australia is in the third place with 6 points from four games. India is in the fourth place with 5 points from 3 games.

SCORES

West Indies: 212 in 44.4 overs (Chris Gayle 36, Nicholas Pooram 63, Shirmon Hetmyer 39, A. Russell 21, Jofra Archer 3 for 30, Mark wood 3 for 18) lost to **England:** 213 for 2 in 33.1 overs (Joe Root 100 n.o., Bairstow 45, Chris Woakes 40, Shannon Gabriel 2 for 49). **Player of the Match:** Joe Root.

KSCA Inter-Mofussil Tournament for U-23

Mysuru Zone emerges champs

*The Mysuru Zone U-23 Cricket Team which won the title in the KSCA Inter-Mofussil Tournament for U-23. Seen are (from left - standing) **K. Shashank, G.L. Yashas, B.S. Yodhan Hrudhay, Tushar Hari Krishna, L. Sai Shiv Narayan, B. Dheemanth, Kishan S. Bedare, Utham Gowda, Gautham Sagar, Ankith and M. Utham Aiyappa;** (sitting) **Madan Mohan, S.J. Nikin Jose (Captain), G.V. Ravi (Coach), Deepak (Manager) and Vishnu Priyan.***

Bengaluru, June 15- Mysuru Zone clinched the KSCA Inter-Mofussil U-23 Tournament title with a big 128-run win over Mangaluru Zone in the match played at the Alur Grounds here on Thursday. Mysuru Zone secured 20 points from their five games and clinched the title.

Batting first, Mysuru Zone scored 253 for nine in 50 overs. Skipper S.J. Nikin Jose top scored with 86 runs. In reply, Mangaluru Zone were bowled out for 125 in 32.2 overs. Madan Mohan impressed by taking five for 26.

SCORES

Mysuru Zone: 253 for 9 in 50 overs (S.J. Nikin Jose 86, L. Sai Shiv Narayan 48, M. Utham Aiyappa, B. Dheemanth 24, P. Vishnu 21, Abhilash Shetty 3 for 71, Abhishek Harish Shetty 3 for 29, Rahul J. Shetty 2 for 30) bt **Mangaluru Zone:** 125 in 32.2 overs (Sathya Swaroop 26, Nehal D'souza 32, A.R. Rakshith 23, Madan Mohan 5 for 26, G.L. Yashas 2 for 22).

KSCA Mysuru Zone League

Big win for Mysore Gymkhana

Mysuru, June 15- The Mysore Gymkhana, with some good batting by M.S. Swaroop (60), registered a facile 138-run win over Mysore City Gymkhana in the KSCA Mysuru Zone 2nd Division League tie played at SDNR Wadiyar Grounds here recently.

SCORES

2nd Division — The Mysore Gymkhana: 238 in 46.3 overs (M.S. Swaroop 60, M.N. Sachin 39, A. Venkateshwara 38, K.P. Mahesh 3

for 36) bt **Mysore City Gymkhana:** 100 in 38.2 overs (Arjun 3 for 24); **Bellur CC:** 155 in 34.2 overs (Dhanush Vishu 60, Ravi Kiran Patel 5 for 31) bt **Yuvaraja's College:** 136 in 34.2 overs (Sachin Gowtham 31, H. Sinchan 31, Asifullah Khan 4 for 37); **Lucky Boys CC, Nanjangud:** 209 for 8 in 50 overs (P. Santhosh 49, Sagar 40, M. Naveen 3 for 30) lost to **Mysore Underwriters:** 210 for 4 in 46.5 overs (K. Adarsh Gowda 75, S. Akash 56, Saud M. Iqbal 34).

RBNCC 'B': 82 in 36.4 overs (Sachin 3 for 5) lost to **Mohan's XI:** 85 for 5 in 13.3 overs (Sachin 34).

3rd Division — Jaihind CC 'B': 123 in 33.5 overs (B. Anjan 80) lost to **Young Merchants CC:** 124 for no loss in 18.5 overs (G. Pavan 83, G.R. Abhinandan 26 n.o.); **Royal CC:** 219 in 45.1 overs (R. Harshit 56, L. Hemanth Kumar 42, T.L. Venuprasad 38, V. Premkumar 34, J. Yogesh 3 for 36, M. Suresh 3 for 13) lost to **Sunny Side CC:** 242 for 9 in 42.1 overs (Inclusive of 20 penalty runs for 2 overs short) (M. Suresh 53, Yunis 34, Dilip S. Bhat 4 for 33, Aravind Mishra 3 for 47); **SKRSC:** 236 in 45.1 overs (K.M. Ganesh 49, Srinivasa 39, Praveen 29, K.V. Ganesh 28, Abhijeeth 3 for 59) bt **CPCP:** 111 in 26 overs (Anjan Kumar 40, K.V. Ganesh 5 for 37).

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Mysuru Zoo to get five Asiatic Lions from Sakkarbaug Zoo

Mysuru, June 15 (MTY&BCT)- The Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Garden (Mysuru Zoo) will soon get five Asiatic Lions from Sakkarbaug Zoo in Gujarat under the Animal Exchange Programme between the zoos.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* this morning, Zoo Executive Director Ajit M. Kulkarni said that at present, the Mysuru Zoo has two Asiatic Lions and with the new arrivals, the number will go up to seven. The lions from Sakkarbaug Zoo will be two males and three females.

"We have been communicating with the Sakkarbaug Zoo authorities and recently a delegation led by Zoo Authority of Karnataka (ZAK) Member-Secretary B.P. Ravi met Gujarat Chief Minister Vijay Rupani and felicitated him. During our discussion, we mentioned about the transfer of the lions to Mysuru and the Gujarat CM assured of all help," Kulkarni said.

The team also visited Sakkarbaug to see the lions that will be exchanged.

In exchange to the five Asiatic Lions, Mysuru Zoo will give two hippopotamus (one male and one female) and three Indian Gaurs (one male and two females) to Sakkarbaug Zoo. Mysuru Zoo has 11 hippopotamus and over 30 Indian Gaurs.

ZAK Member-Secretary B.P. Ravi (second from right) greeting Gujarat Chief Minister Vijay Rupani recently as others look on.

Transportation of lions from Gujarat will take time as that State is witnessing a temperature of 45 to 50 degrees now.

"Lions are very sensitive animals and we cannot take the risk of transporting them in this hot weather. We will have to wait for the temperature to come down before we take a decision to shift the lions," he said.

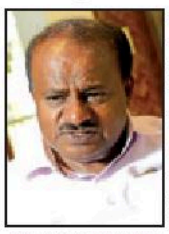
Before taking hippos and Indian Gaurs to Gujarat, a team of Sakkarbaug Zoo staff will come to Mysuru to take training on how to maintain the animals in Gujarat.

They will be provided training on temperature control, location, food habits and other related aspects, the Zoo Executive Director added.

Govt. schools to be developed on the lines of Kendriya Vidyalaya: CM HDK

English medium in 1,000 Govt. Schools, Kindergarten, Public Schools inaugurated

Bengaluru, June 15- Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy has informed that the newly started 1,000 English medium sections in Government Schools will be developed in the State on the lines of Kendriya Vidyalaya Schools.



Kumaraswamy

Speaking at a function held at Banquet Hall in Vidhana Soudha in Bengaluru yesterday, he also declared that the intake of admissions to these English medium section schools will be increased to from the existing 30 to 60 or 90 students from the next academic year.

There has been a huge demand for these schools from parents after the Government decided to roll out English Medium sections this year as enrolments were declining. Reiterating his commitment for the growth of Kannada, he said that he had started these schools despite criticisms from various quarters including senior writers as learning English is inevitable in present days to make youngsters ready for the competitive world.

The State Government has also given training to 1,000 teachers to ensure quality education to students of these schools, he said.

Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy also launched pre-primary classes in 276 schools and 100 Karnataka Public Schools (KPS) that will operate in the 2019-20 academic year on the same occasion.

Karnataka Public School is a concept introduced by the State Government to reduce the number of drop-outs from Primary School to High School. Students will join the school at LKG, which will be the entry point and will study till class 12 in a single campus.

He said 1,000 Karnataka Public Schools which was announced in the 2019-20 budget in hobli headquarters will have English medium sections in class 1, in addition to Kannada medium classes and 100 KPS schools will function from this year.

Many Government Schools, which have been identified as KPS with sections from pre-Primary to class 12, will get an overhaul, both in infrastructure and the way education is imparted to students, this academic year. Individual schools have chalked out plans for mathematics and computer laboratories, gymnasiums and music and dance classes.

Schools that have already prepared master plan have been awarded Rs. 45 lakh each to improve their infrastructure.

Revised hike in penalties for traffic violators comes to force from today

Rs.1,000 fine for not wearing seat belts, Rs.25,000 for drunk driving

New Delhi, June 15- The revised hike in penalties for traffic violators which is approved by Union Government after passage of the Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Bill 2017 in both the Houses of the Parliament came into force from today.

The Bill proposed huge increases in various penalties for traffic violations, protection to Good Samaritans, and recall of defective vehicle parts by auto companies, holding builders accountable for poor quality of infrastructure and making vehicle owners criminally liable for violations committed by juvenile drivers.

From increasing the penalties to making vehicle owners liable for the violations committed by juvenile drivers — the Bill proposed a number of changes including the minimum fine for drunk driving has been increased from Rs. 2,000 to Rs.10,000.

The fine for rash driving has been increased from Rs. 1,000 to Rs.5,000. Driving without a licence will attract a minimum fine of Rs.5,000 as against Rs. 500 at present. The fine for over-speeding will go up from Rs.400 to Rs.1,000- 2,000.

Not wearing seat belt would attract a fine of Rs.1, 000 as against Rs.100 at present and talking on a mobile phone while driving will attract a fine of Rs.5,000, up from Rs.1,000.

Drunk driving fine has been increased to Rs.10,000 from Rs.2,000. The fine will be Rs.5,000 for driving without a licence. At present, it costs you Rs.500.

For hit-and-run cases and gruesome fatal accidents, there will be a compensation of Rs. 2, 00,000 or more from the government to victim's family. At present, it is Rs.25, 000.

If a juvenile is caught for committing a traffic violation, the owner of the vehicle would be held responsible. The registration of the motor vehicle in question will be cancelled.

In traffic violations by juveniles, the guardians or owner of the vehicle would be held responsible unless they prove the offence was committed without their knowledge or they tried to prevent it. The registration of the motor vehicle in question will be cancelled. The juvenile will be tried under the Juvenile Justice Act.

A Motor Vehicle Accident Fund will provide compulsory insurance cover to all road users in India for certain types of accidents. It will be mandatory to alter vehicles to make them suitable for specially- abled people.

Contractors, consultants and civic agencies will be accountable for faulty design, construction or poor maintenance of roads leading to accidents. The time limit for renewal of Driving Licence is increased from one month to one year before and after the expiry date.

The government can recall vehicles whose components or engine do not meet the required standards and the manufacturers can be fined up to Rs.500 crore for it.

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WORD OF THE DAY

Nidus

Pronunciation: NYE-dus.
Meaning: A nest or breeding place; especially : a place or substance in an animal or plant where bacteria or other organisms lodge and multiply; a place where something originates, develops.
Origin: Nidus literally means "nest" in Latin, and some of its relatives in English suggest this connection in a straightforward way. For example, we have nidification for the process of building a nest, and nidicolous, meaning "reared in a nest." But nidus itself, when used as an English word, is apt to refer to a place where bacteria lodge and multiply. Consequently, the extended use of nidus in English often has a negative connotation referring to a source of undesirable opinions or behaviours.
Example: The neighbourhood had long been a nidus of crime and vice, but community policing and other interventions have done much to reduce the crime rate in recent years.

THE ODD WORD

Noisome

Annoying, noxious.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Nail your colours to the mast

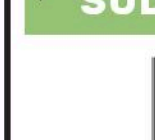
Meaning: To defiantly display one's opinions and beliefs. Also, to show one's intention to hold on to those beliefs until the end.
Origin: In 17th century nautical battles colours (flags) were struck (lowered) as a mark of submission. It was also the custom in naval warfare to direct one's cannon fire at the opponent's ship's mast, thus disabling it. If all of a ship's masts were broken the captain usually had no alternative but to surrender. If the captain decided to fight on this was marked by hoisting the colours on the remnants of the ship's rigging, that is, by 'nailing his colours to the mast'. The phrase originated in England and it is generally agreed that the expression was coined in reference to the exploits of the crew of the Venerable, at the Battle of Camperdown, a naval engagement that was fought between English and Dutch ships as part of French Revolutionary Wars in 1797.
The English fleet was led by the Venerable, the flagship of Admiral Adam Duncan. The battle didn't initially go well for the English. The mainmast of Duncan's vessel was struck and the admiral's blue squadronal standard was brought down. This could have been interpreted by the rest of the fleet as meaning that Duncan had surrendered.

QUOTE BOX

Never let an anteater find your nest! — **Anthony T. Hincks**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus below:



Answer: Hijacking.

SUDOKU

								1
		5	7		8		3	
	8	1	6					
2	6		8					9
				9				
9					3		5	8
					7	9	2	
	5		3		6	4		
7								

Answer to previous puzzle

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Calls on?
6 Part of Russian Rouble
10 It has a trunk, but is no elephant!
11 Genetic item
12 Excludes, pronounces irrelevant? (5,3)
14 Suffix denoting native or inhabitant
16 ____ - eater : person given to indolent enjoyment?
17 Range of sight or knowledge, as in "beyond my ___ "?
19 Small American coin
21 Flight Mgmnt. Comp.
22 Andean shrub
23 Overwhelm, flow over
25 Hindered or obstructed? (4,2)
27 Numerical prefix
28 Green parrot from New Zealand
29 To do with race or culture
32 Challenged or braved
35 Employs
36 Female ruff
38 Scottish island
39 Harry Potter's mate
40 Okra soup
42 Aircraft Earth Station
43 Erroneous, false or incorrect
45 Form of expression?
46 Hacienda room - "alas" anagram?
47 Defence pleas of being elsewhere
48 Type of embroidery

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

B	E	A	K	■	O	C	A	■	J	A	W	S
U	N	D	O	■	V	A	L	■	A	R	E	A
O	D	E	A	■	E	N	L	A	R	G	E	D
Y	O	N	■	I	N	T	O	W	■	O	P	E
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B	U	D	S	■	M	O	D	■	S	O	D	S
I	N	S	T	E	A	D	■	U	T	T	E	R
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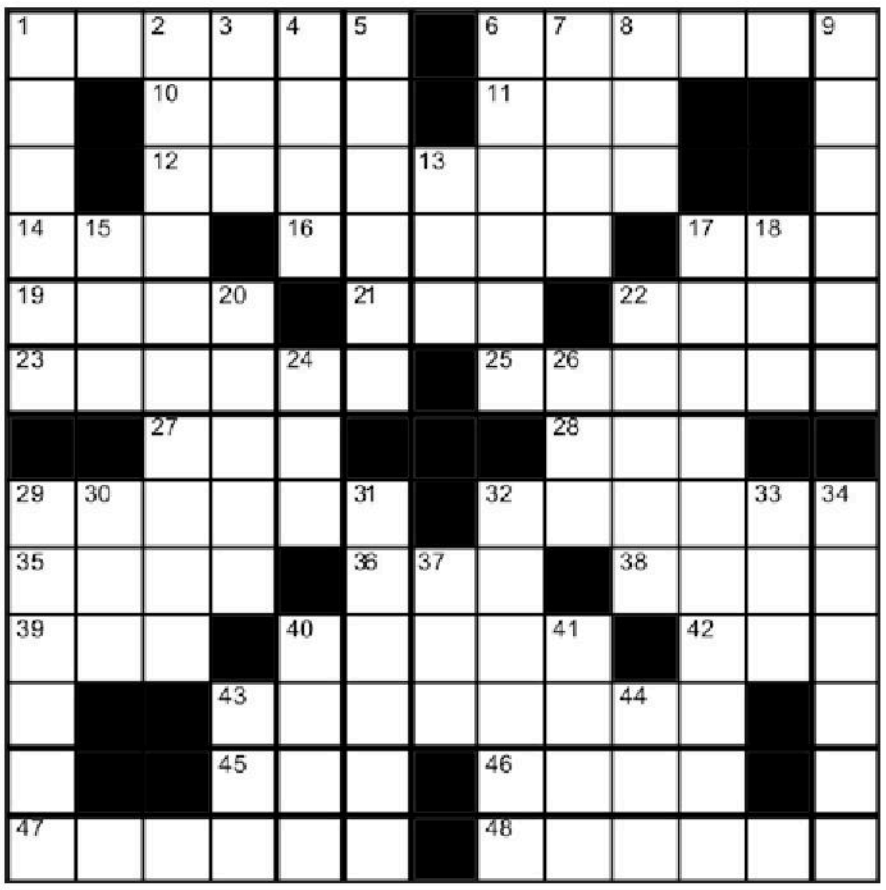
E	T	E	■	R	A	T	R	A	■	V	O	W
D	E	F	E	N	C	E	S	■	M	A	G	I
G	E	T	S	■	L	S	I	■	S	T	E	M
E	S	S	E	■	E	T	S	■	S	E	E	P

DOWN

1 Italian city
2 Reinforce
3 Inertial Ref. Unit
4 ___ off : reprimand or scold?
5 Accompany to point of departure or chase away (3,3)
6 Bend down fearfully
7 An obligation which falls on us, apparently!
8 ___ - A - Cake..... nursery rhyme?
9 Take away by force to hold for ransom
13 Seminary deg.
15 One less than eleven
17 Hill station in S. India
18 Old French coin
20 Chances
22 Musical symbols
24 52 in Roman numerals
26 ___ out : make last longer?
29 Archimedes' cry of discovery?
30 Tech. Std. Order
31 Hard surface layers
32 Cheapen
33 Needle feature
34 Cease and ____ : refrain from an action absolutely?
37 Medic, briefly
40 Ex-India President
41 All right, satisfactory
43 Fairy queen
44 Estimated life expectancy



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

VRXM KN CZJOU R WZXK JL IOKQJOU QWZO

HKY TKO'M OZZT MK CZ KOZ ROHPKXZ

TODAY'S CLUE: U EQUALS G

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Do not run from the truth. There be nought so hard to live with as a lie.

NOW SHOWING

Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
KANNADA			
I Love You - Nanne Prethse	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
	Mahadeshwara	9986022634	4 Shows
	Lido	2420885	4 Shows
Amar	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
	Woodlands	2422871	4 Shows
Hangover	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
Ragad	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
ENGLISH			
Men in Black: International	Sangam	2520494	4 Shows
X-Men	Sterling	2481170	4 Shows
HINDI			
Bharat	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
De De Pyaar De	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
TAMIL			
Nenjamundu Nermaiyundu Odu Raja			
	Rajkamal	2423554	2 Shows
Suttu Pidikka Utharavu	Rajkamal	2423554	2 Shows
Mr. Local	Padma	2521923	4 Shows
Kolaigaran	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows
TELUGU			
Yama Kantri	Prabha	2423569	4 Shows
----	Uma	2520009	4 Shows

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Aladdin (E-3D)	(S-1)	10.50 am
I Love You - Nanne Prethse (K)	(S-1)	1.20 pm
	(S-3)	11 am, 7.15 pm
Men in Black : International (E-3D)	(S-1)	3.45 pm
	(S-4)	11 am, 1.30 pm
		7.30 pm, 9.55 pm
The Secret Life Of Pets 2 (E)	(S-1)	6.05 pm, 8 pm
	(S-2)	11 am
Unda (Ma)	(S-1)	9.55 pm
Bharat (H)	(S-2)	1.15 pm, 6.55 pm
Amar (K)	(S-2)	4.15 pm;
	(S-3)	1.30 pm
Khamoshi (H)	(S-2)	9.55 pm
Game Over (Ta)	(S-3)	4.45 pm
Game Over (Te)	(S-3)	9.55 pm
Maharshi (Te)	(S-4)	4.00 pm

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I Love You - Nanne Prethse (K)	(S-2)	10 am, 2.35 pm
		7.10 pm, 9.45 pm
Men in Black : International (E-3D)	(S-1)	9.55 am, 2.25 pm, 9.40
The Secret Life of Pets 2 (E-3D)	(S-1)	12.25 pm, 7.40 pm
Men in Black : International (E)	(S-3)	7.00 pm
	(S-4)	12.20 pm, 5.05 pm
The Secret Life of Pets 2 (E)	(S-2)	5.10 pm
Amar (K)	(S-3)	1.05 pm
Bharat (H)	(S-3)	9.55 am, 3.50 pm, 9.30
Khamoshi (H)	(S-2)	12.35 pm
Unda (Ma)	(S-4)	9.55 pm
Game Over (Te)	(S-4)	10 am, 7.35 pm
Hangover (K)	(S-4)	2.50 pm
Aladdin (E-3D)	(S-1)	4.55 pm

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Khamoshi (H)	9.50 am, 7.20 pm
Men in Black: International (E-3D)	10.35 am, 5.20 pm, 10 pm
Men in Black: International (E)	1.45 pm
I Love You - Nanne Preethse (K)	11 am, 4.20 pm, 7 pm, 9.40 pm
The Secret Life of Pets 2 (E)	11.30 am
The Secret Life of Pets 2 (E)	1.10 pm, 3.15 pm, 7.55 pm
Bharat (H)	11.55 am, 6.30 pm
Game Over (Te)	1.50 pm
Game Over (Ta)	9.30 pm
Virus (Ma)	3.15 pm
Amar (K)	4.20 pm
Unda (Ma)	9.50 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

EVENTS TODAY (JUNE 15)

Introduction Trade Shows Pvt. Ltd.: Asia Wedding Fair 2019, Radisson Blu Plaza Hotel, **up to 8 pm.**

Workshop: "Live Bharatanatyam Decoding Workshop for Contemporary Times" by S. Gowri Priya, Studio Pepperfry, Vijayanagar, **4.30 pm to 7 pm.**

Sri Raghavendraswamy Seva Samiti, Jayalakshmipuram: Discourse on 'Vanaparva of Moola Mahabharata' by Be.Na. Vijayendracharya, Mutt premises, Jayalakshmipuram, **5 pm to 6.30 pm.**

Vivid Shaikshanika mattu Samskrutika Trust and Sarvajna Samskrutika Pratishtana: Manthana - Sahitya Chintakara Chavadi, KEB Chief Engineer Shankar Devanur inaugurates, Ankegowda of Pusthaka Mane - Pandavapura chief guest, poet Dr. Jayappa Honnalli presides, Vivid Coaching Centre, #80, 3rd Cross, Aishwarya Nagar, Kuvempunagar N-Block, **5 pm.**

Chamarajendra Academy of Visual Arts (CAVA) Students Forum: Nudi Namana to late artist Ramdas Adyantaya, Maneyangala, Kalamandira premises, **5 pm.**

Sugama Sangeetha Academy Trust, Mysuru: Bhavataranga — Kannada Bhavageete Programme by Mangala Ravi and Ravi, accompanied by C. Vishwanath on mandolin, Shanmuga Sajja on keyboard and Atmaram on tabla, Mysore K. Vasudevacharya Bhavana, JLB Road, Lakshmipuram, **6 pm.**

Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama: Swami Ishtanathanandaji speaks on 'Atmabodha,' Ashrama premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**

Sri Ramabhyudaya Sabha Charitable Trust: Monthly Cultural Programme, Devaranama by members of Surabhi Gana Kalamandira, Saraswathipuram, Trust premises, Srirama Mandira, Srirampet, opp. Nallappa Thana Police Station, **6.30 pm.**

Ranga Vartula: Staging of Kannada play 'Rabdi,' [Playwright: Nushil Mehta, Nithish Sridhar and Hamalatha Lokesh; Direction by Nithish Sridhar' Music by Raghunandan Ramakrishna], Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **7 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (JUNE 16)

Builders' Association of India (BAI), Mysuru Centre: World Environment Month celebrations, drawing and painting competition for school children [Topic: Protection and preservation of environment], office of the Mysuru Builders Charitable Trust, Vishweshwaranagar, **10 am.**

Introduction Trade Shows Pvt. Ltd.: Asia Wedding Fair 2019, Radisson Blu Plaza Hotel, **10.30 am to 8 pm.**

Akhila Bharata Prajavedike, Friday Forum and People's Union for Civil Liberties (PUCL), Mysuru: Interaction on 'National Education Policy - 2019,' Maneyangala, Kalamandira premises, **10.30 am.**

Brahmana Dharma Sahaya Sabha: Guru Vandana programme as part of valedictory of the Centenary celebrations, Sri Vidyasrisha Theertha Sripadangal, Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Swamiji, Sri Datta Vijayananda Theertha Swamiji, Sri Chinmayananda Saraswathi Swamiji, Sri Srivasavarada Ramanuja Mahadeshikan and Sri Vinay Avadoota Swmaiji will grace the occasion, Brahmana Dharma Sahaya Sabha President N. Srinivas presides, lecture by retd. Dy. Director and Hon. Advisor of ORI Vid. Dr. T.V. Satyanarayana, Kalyana Bhavan, Tyagaraja Road, K.R. Mohalla, **11 am.**

Mahima Prakashana, Mysuru: Book release — 'Jeevana Sambhrama - Nityanubhavada Melukugalu,' authored by Dr. M.R. Ravi, Commissioner and Director, Handloom and Textile Department, Bengaluru. He also writes a column titled "Ee Jeevana Nammadu" in *Mysooru Mithra*, a sister publication of *Star of Mysore* — by Vishweshwara Bhat, Editor, *Vishwavani* Daily, Bengaluru, S. Shadakshari, Columnist and President, Ramanasri Group, Bengaluru, speaks about the book, Prof. K.S. Rangappa, former VC, University of Mysore, presides, Rani Bahadur auditorium, University of Mysore (UoM), **11 am.**

Hiriya Nagarikara Seva Samiti: Gamaka - Kavya Vaachana - Vyakhyaana Programme — 'Viduraatithya Kumaravyasabharata' Vaachana by K. Ramachandra, retd. Executive Engineer, Vyakhyaana by Dr. Jyoti Shankar, Asst. Professor, KSOU, Samiti President NaKaMe N. Nagaraj presides, Narayanamruta Foundation, No.1588, 'Sadhana' near Sangama Circle, **11 am.**

Abhyudaya Mahila Samaja and Manvantara Samuha Balaga: 25th anniversary celebrations of Abhyudaya Mahila Samaja, 'Halliya Parapanchada Nenapu, Halliya Oota, Halliya Aata' (Memories of Rural Life, Rural Food, Rural Games), Police Training School Principal Dr. Dharanidevi Malagatti inaugurates, Corporator Sharadamma, Kannada & Culture Asst. Director H. Channappa, Manvantara Samuha Balaga President A.N. Ramesh and Manvantara Daily Editor Venkataram Kashyap chief guests, Abhyudaya Mahila Samaja President Dr. Susheela Nagaraj presides, Dr. Puttaraja Gawai Stadium, J.P. Nagar, **10 am.**

Nisarga Trust: Organic Farmers Market, Trust premises, #794, 10th Main Road, JSS College Road, J.P. Nagar, **10 am.**

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Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha: T.V. Srinivasan Memorial Concert - Carnatic Classical Vocal Duet by Vid. M.B. Hariharan & Vid. S. Ashok (Bangalore Brothers), accompanied by Vid. B.K. Raghu on violin, Vid. V. Praveen on mridanga and Vid. G.S. Ramanujan on ghata, Mysore K. Vasudevacharya Bhavana, JLB Road, Lakshmipuram, **5.30 pm.**

Sabarimala Sree Ayyappa Pooja Samithi - Sree Ayyappa Swamy and Sree Guruvayurappan Temple, foot of Chamundi Hill: Pratishtapana anniversary, Prasada Shuddhi of Sri Guruvayurappan, Astra Kalasha Puja, Vaastu Homa, Vaastu Kalasha Puja, Vastu Kalashabhisheka, Vaastu Bali, Rakshogna Homa and Athazha Puja, Temple premises, **5.30 pm to 8 pm.**

Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama: Swami Muktidanandaji speaks on 'Bhagavad Gita and Karma Yoga,' Ashrama premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**

Srikrishna Gana Sabha: Hindustani Music Concert by Child Prodigy Siddhartha Belmannu, accompanied by Pt. Veerabadraiah Hiremath on harmonium and Pt. Bheemashankar Bidnoor on tabla, Alwar Kalabhavan, **6 pm.**

Articulate: Articulate Festival-37, Bharatanatyam by M.C. Archana, Mekhala R. Bharadwaj, Sumangala Vijaykumar Varun and Kshamitha R. Shastri, Veene Seshanna Bhavan, Ganabharathi, Adichunchangiri Road, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm.**

Rangayana: 'Greeshma Rangothsava' in memory of Senior Theatre Artiste and Director S. Malathi, staging of play 'Jalagara' by Saranga Ranga troupe, Kolar, [written by Kuvepmu, directed by Pichalli Srinivas], Bhoomigeeta, Rangayana premises, **6.30 pm.**

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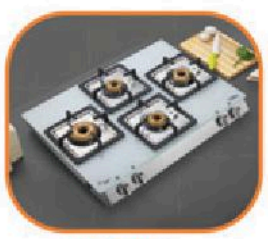
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